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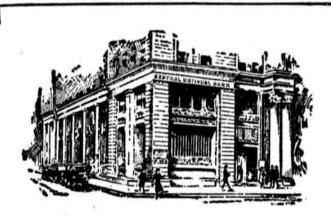
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1920 trade figures, holds that imports form an unusually large share of the aggregate. It says: 'As nearly as can now be determined, the nominal value of the merchandise imported by all countries of the world in 1920 will aggregate about \$55,000,000,000, and the exports about \$46,000,000,000, making the share which imports form of world trade in 1920 about 55 per cent, as against an average of about 52 per cent in the pre-war year, this high ratio of imports to exports in 1920 being due in part to the large sums which transportation added to the value of the exports when they became imports, and in part to the fact that in many countries the 1919 advance orders of im- A C Line 4 45 porters proved greater than the exporting powers in 1920, the year in which the merchandise reached the importers who had ordered them in the "flush" time of 1919.

The National City Bank of New

York, in a review of the international

"This abnormally high importation of many countries in 1920 is apparently one of the causes of the very heavy falling off in our exports in 1921. especially as the excessive imports of 1920 consisted chiefly of manufactures."

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reaction in prices later.

What is most to be desired is a steady what is most to be desired is a steady absorption of bonds by individuals and institutions altogether on an investment basis. This is what the leading authorities say has been going on recently and what has been chiefly responsible for the uniformity of the up-

Lower Copper Prices The fight between the copper buyers and sellers regarding prices has been on for some time, and the former finally have been successful in getting quotations considerably lower than they were when the stagnation started. Had the sellers originally met the views of consumers that would have obtained some ing off they can get still lower figures.

It is difficult to find any optimism in It is difficult to find any optimism in the trade, and to the fact that demand is entirely lacking, about the only business being done being in small lots, which are going to the dealers willing to sell at twelve cents per pound. The higher prices named by the larger interests are entirely nominal at present, because these are constant to be had above the there is no order to be had above the

Heavier Traffiq Movement Officials of railroads operating East from Chicago and St. Louis sound a little more optimistic note in their characterization of the traffic situation. Characterization of the traffic situation.

Some officials are of the opinion that their lines have definitely turned the corner toward permanent improvement.

There is a big movement of grain from the farms and to the scaboard, and this is helping to swell the total tonnage. Coal is being moved in fair values of the control of the scaboard and the scaboard and this is helping to swell the total tonnage. Coal is being moved in fair values of the control of the contro ness expressed in regard to the steel and iron industry, numerous indications pointing to a substantial response on the part of huyers to the lowering of prices. Lumber dealers are getting larger orders. the part of buyers to the lowering of prices. Lumber dealers are getting larger orders, it is understood, and building material shipments are expected to pick up. Retail trade conditions are reported bet. tions in many sections are reported bet-ter by the various roads, and there is

a good movement of general merchan-dise.

Officials of Southern roads report traffic keeping up well, with somewhat larger loadings of cars. The coal shipments still fall below those of a year ago, but there is a big run of grain going forward, especially wheat for ex-port. General merchandise shipments also are quite liberal. There is a con-siderable quantity of lumber going for export, and the domestic shipments are

export, and the domestic shipments are increasing moderately.

Brokers' Opinions

Newburger, Henderson & Loeb: It is in the long-distance view of the market situation the more hopeful signs are discerned and the most encouragement is derived. A number of contributing developments during the last week did much to confirm the judgment heretofore expressed of a constructive program was in making. With the lowest money rates in nearly two years and with the reserve ratio of the Federal Reserve banks still mounting there are many reasons for supposing the credit situation is rapidly being brought to a many reasons for supposing the credit situation is rapidly being brought to a normal equilibrium. Supplementing this are undisputable facts of the further progress in adjusting economic conditions. The more encouraging developments, however, come from the consistent efforts on the part of the Administration at Washington to quicken legislation that will bring early and material relief to the general business situation. The line of demarcation between the railroad and industrial shares is becoming more clearly drawn. A survey of the list proves the rails have been recovering with consistency since the lowest levels of the spring slump was touched. The worst of the trouble of the carriers are undoubtedly over, and with the operation of the refunding the transportation industry should soon be put again on a solid footing. Possibly, however, the more significant developments at the moment are the special sp sibly, however, the more significant developments at the moment are the speeding up and broadening of the bond market. This not only foreshadows a specific property of the speeding up and broadening of the bond market. This not only foreshadows a specific property of the market. This not only foreshadows a 2 102 5 67 6 U.S. turn in the corner, but is usually the Denmark Con N Y'k Ct. as 5. Hecker & Co.: "The railroad shares 1.... 102 5.....

have now had considerable rise since the third week in June, and they have been the outstanding strength of the market since that time. Should good crops materialize and general business increase, their earnings under the increase, their earnings under the new po Canada 29 wage rate should be very satisfactory. 1 924 Easy money is at hand and the encouraging increase in bond prices is generally a forerunner of better stock prices. In the industrial line those stocks which have not been deflated should be avoided."

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Election of Representatives of Shop Crafts to Draft Rules Held Unfair

NEW BALLOT IS ORDERED

tions of employes' committees held by it is expected both union and non-union the Pennsylvania Railroad and by the Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania shop crafts unions illegal and void, the United States Railroad Labor Board yesterday issued a de-

the national agreements established during Federal control.

The decision also canceled rules now in force as a result of agreements reached by the railroad with the committee elected on the Pennsylvania bal-

lot.
The shop crafts unions are fully recognized in the board's decision, alrecognized in the board's decision, although non-union men were declared to have full and equal rights. In a form ballot drafted for use in the new election employes are to be given their choice of representation by the Pennsylvania System Federation, affiliated with the railway employes' department of the American Federation of Labor, the American Federation of Railroad Workers, or by any other organization or individual for whom a majority vote is cast.

Sidesteps Open Shop

The Labor Board refused to be drawn into a discussion of the open shop, for which the Pennsylvania has openly contended. It was on this prinopenly contended. It was on this principle that the railroad refused recently to recognize the unions' claims to representation of the majority of shop employes and proceeded to hold a general election. The board, however, said the dispute which arose over the unions' claims was 'merely one of procedure.'

Neither the Pennsylvania's general election nor a ballot conducted by the System Federation was fair or legal, the board said, and the employes have consequently 'been denied their legal right to select representatives for this important conference on rules.'

partial and secret ballot. A ballot was distributed which did not name any organization. Employes, if they desired, could have voted for union employes to represent them, but the union exerted every effort to persuade the men not to vote at all.

"Every employe had a chance to vote, however, and if any neglected or refused to vote, as some of the shop can be allowed by the consequently 'been denied their legal right to select representatives for this important conference on rules.'

important conference on rules."

The board's decision declared the dis pute one of technicalities, adding that that the time when the Nation is slowly and painfully progressing through the conditions of industrial depression, unemp'oyment and unrest, it is almost treasonable for any employer or employe to stubbornly haggle over non-essen-tials at the risk of social chaos." The board's ruling orders a confer-ence on or before August 10 between representatives of the road, the Penn sylvania System Federation, or any other organization having shop crafts

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the general committee will also have charge of the e'ection.

When the Labor Board, last April, directed the railroads to negotiate working rules to succeed those established by the Railroad Administration, and continued by the heard pending their rechairmen to conduct the negotiations.

Refuse to Recognize Committee The carriers, however, refused to ne gotiate with this committee and a ballot This balloting did not provide for

designating any organization, requiring votes to be cast for individuals. Upon refusal of the company to amend ballot a'lowing votes for organizations, the union men refused to vote the company ballot and issued one of their own.

The Pennsylvania recognized only
the committees named by its ballot,
conferred with them and subsequently
put into effect rules negotiated with
those committees. It is these rules those committees. It is these which the board has declared void. The dispute, as the Labor Board viewed it, was entirely one of who viewed it, was entirely one of who should represent the employes. The

Transportation Act, however, does not prescribe the method by which employes shall select their representatives and "both parties correctly concluded that an election by ballot would be necessary," the decision said. There the

dispute arose.

'The carrier had no more right to undertake to assume control of the selection of representatives of the employes than the employes would have had in supervising the naming of the carrier representatives," the decision said. "In this sophisticated land of popular elec-tions, no political party would submit to having its primary held and managed by the opposing party."

The Pullman company was recently

involved in a similar dispute and after holding a general election, disregarding the unions, was ordered by the board to negotiate with the union committee. The Pennsylvania, however, is given the

Vice President W. W. Atterbury and other officers of the Pennsylvania Railroad would make no comment last cision ordering a new ballot to select a committee on negotiation of rules covering working conditions to replace to replace to the covering working conditions to the covering working to the covering working conditions to the covering working conditions to the covering working working to the covering working to the covering working to the c

ducted a vow for the election of employes' representatives who should meet with the railroad management to agree upon working conditions.

The shop crafts union of the American Federation of Labor charged that the management had refused to negotiate with that organization in violation of a decision of the Period of the state of the period of the state of the period of the state o tinte with that organization in viola-tion of a decision of the Railroad Labor

Board.
Instead, the Pennsylvania Railroad issued ballots in which the employes were allowed to vote for individuals—even union men if they chose—but not for the union itself as an employe representative.

resentative.

In explaining the railroad's procedure, General Atterbury, vice president in charge of operation, said: "The company gave every shop craft employe an opportunity to vote for employe representatives by a fair, impartial and secret ballot. A ballot was distributed which hid not warm.

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